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What Happened?

There was a time when being a woman was an unlucky fait to be born into, but life is not that way in America anymore. The first wave, which started in the 1850’s, succeeded in acquiring a better educational system for women, women’s marriage rights, and their divorce and child custody rights. The second wave of feminist though the 1960’s consisted of a lot of protesting against sexist features such as The Miss America pageant, and women obtaining equal rights in the job field such as an equal wage. We are living in the third wave of feminist in America as we breathe. The third wave is happening now because of the empowerment that foundations are giving to girls. Although the third wave is helping in a grand way, it seems as though society is degrading women in the media, and transforming their self-confidence into a joke. The media is giving today’s females an undignified view of themselves, which enhances the teen pregnancy rate in the U.S. compared to other countries, causes a greater rate in mental issues especially with eating disorders, and lowered self-esteem especially in younger teenage girls.

* Discuss how America has a high pregnancy rate especially compated to Europe.
* Discuss places such as England and their views of women and sex and how it differs from America.
* 16 and pregnant and Teen Mom.

1. Anorexia, bulimia, and other mental health disorders in girls.
2. How the media causes girls to feel like they need to obtain a certain self-image.

* Sexting in middle and high school.
* Earlier ages of girls having sex.
* Girls feeling as if they need make up, tanning, and tight clothing